
**A TIME SERIES MODEL FOR THE LONG - RUN FORECAST OF PORTS'
CONTAINER HANDLING: THE CASE OF THE PORT OF PIRAEUS**

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Abstract

The purpose of this study is to investigate the future demand of ports' container handling and to propose a model to forecast this demand using annual data from the Piraeus Port Authority for the period 1980 to 2005. The variables used refer to the GDP, the population of the country, the gross investments of fixed capital of the transport sector, the weighted mean of price of container handling, the unemployment rate, the gross domestic product of the maritime transport sector in current prices, and a dummy variable. The empirical evidence refers to the port of Piraeus; the computations were run using the statistical package SAS and the results are consistent with the theory. The proposed methodology may be used for long run forecasts at any other similar situation.

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1. Introduction

Nowadays port competition expands in many different levels. In the long run, a number of ports in their attempt to have unlimited possibilities of growth do not allow their handling to reach the limits of its productive possibilities. In other words, the total allocated offer should always be bigger than the demand (Frankel, 1987). An important rate of its available offer should exist because the port infrastructure (particularly the constant installations, terminals, quays, etc.), cannot be upgraded fast due to high investment costs. Thus, the availability of exaggerating offer in cases of high demand is limited and the ports cannot be further expanded. This phenomenon was particularly intense at the beginning of the '90s (Geraldo Araujo de Souza Junior, Beresford and Pettit 2003) when agreements between port authorities, international transporters and companies—operators worldwide, began to develop in order to improve their participation in the market (Pardalis and Chlomoudis 2002).

In the short run, ports adapt their offer in periods with high demand, by increasing the allocated mechanic means (gantry cranes, straddle carriers, forklifts, etc.). They try to achieve an increase in the productivity of the container terminals because they are in a position to serve the same demand with smaller effort.

In the long run, in order to have greater flexibility in the adaptation of an offer, it is essential to have and operate tools that can provide the possibility of producing sure and accurate forecasts of the future demand. The importance of these forecasts for the port industry is rather significant, supporting port planning and investments (Pardalis 1997). Forecasts of port demand refer to the degree of future handling of containers in all possible levels. These levels are: the size of the containers (20', 40', and others), the type of the containers (dry, liquid, general, and others), the kind of loading/discharged (Lo/Lo, R/Ro, and others), the transportation or not of the goods handled (full, empty), the kind of the goods handled and finally the differentiation in imports/exports and transshipments (Michalopoulos, 2006).

These realized forecasts must have some characteristics in order to become directly useful for the ports. These characteristics refer to: (a) best, (b) accurate, (c) reliable, (d) unbiased, (e) consistent, (f) countable and (g) efficient (Gallaway, Smith, and Paul 1961, Smith 1987).

2. Forecasting methods

Several and considerably different methods are used today for forecasts in container handling. They are distinguished in terms of time and in terms of type of analysis. Time methods are distinguished in short and long run methodologies. Type of analysis methods are distinguished in quantitative and qualitative methodologies. The quantitative methodology is used when historical data are available in order to find trends or relationships between the variables. The qualitative methodology is used when historical data are not available and the analysis is based on information from experts via interviews.

2.1 Quantitative methods of forecast

The quantitative methodology refers to the long run as well as to the short run period. The most common methodology for long run forecasts is the simple regression analysis for demand determination (Pardalis and Michalopoulos 1996). The limitations of these models are that some problems are involved during its specialization which must be solved from the beginning and which sometimes are independent of the general economic theory or especially the theory of port economics. These problems (Intriligator 1982) refer to: (a) heteroscedasticity, (b) collinearity-multicollinearity, and (c) autocorrelation.

Another category of problems is indicated because of the selection of the variables that have been included into the model; the most well known models that are used in this category are: (a) full model fitted, (b) forward selection, (c) backward elimination, (d) stepwise, (e) maximum R^2 improvement, (e) minimum R^2 improvement, (f) R^2 selection, (g) adjusted R^2 selection and (h) Mallows' cp selection

(Mallows 1973, Daniel and Wood 1980).

These regression models use only the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) as an independent variable regardless the limited explanation of models (low R^2)¹. Models can be in linear, logarithmic, or polynomial (1st or 2nd degree) form. For the quantification of qualitative or external factors (such as strikes, changes of policy, devaluations, etc.), which influence the container handling (Pardalis 1997) the use of a dummy variable may be of great importance (Michalopoulos 1995).

In addition to the regression models the methodology of maximum likelihood of generalized linear models, GLM (West, Harrison, Migon and Helio 1985) can be also used. This methodology is similar to regression models however it has an important limitation because the lack of extended statistical tests during its specification stage leading to a conclusion that is not suitable for evaluation of the demand function (Dinardo and Johnston 1996).

In the short run, time series analysis models are most appropriate. These models are known as: (a) classical time series analysis models and (b) Box – Jenkins methodology models (Thalassinios 1991). Classical time series analysis models refer to: (a) trend, (b) seasonality, (c) circular variations and (d) random variations (Pardalis and Michalopoulos 1994). The forms that are usually used are (Sabrakos 2001):

$$f(t)=a_0+a_1t+a_2t^2+...+a_nt^n \quad (\text{cumulative form}) \quad (1)$$

If the time can be specified², the following forms can be used³:

$$Y_t=a+bt \quad (\text{simple linear form}) \quad (2)$$

$$Y_t=ae^{st} \quad (\text{augmentative form}) \quad (3)$$

$$Y_t=a+bt+ct^2 \quad (\text{parabolic form}) \quad (4)$$

Box – Jenkins methodology (Box and Jenkins 1976) consists of the alternative release of regression models. ARIMA (AutoRegressive Integrated Moving – Average) models use the following stages before they will be used for projection purposes (Thalassinios 1991):

1. Calculation of the autocorrelation function, partial and inverse autocorrelation.
2. Identification of model.
3. Estimation of the parameters.
4. Checking the defined model.

The prerequisite for the implementation of a Box–Jenkins methodology is the stationarity of the time series⁴. Extensions of the ARIMA models lead to SARIMA (seasonal ARIMA) models and the Transfer Function Models, VARMA and MARMA models (Thalassinios 1991). Box–Jenkins methodology composes the “best models” but is advisable only for the short run period (up to 5 years).

Finally, another kind of models is the input–output analysis models (Michalopoulos 2006). According to Leontief a variation of the demand of a commodity is possible to induce variations to the demand of other branches of the economy because it consists of industries with interacting operations and activities. In

fact, this kind applies only in the case of the port of Rotterdam (GSM model) for certain commodities of this port⁵.

2.2 Qualitative methods of forecast

The expert opinion method and the Delphi method are the most well known methodologies in this category.

The expert opinion method consists of the historical approach in the field of forecasting models and it is based on the informed opinion of experts who are familiar with the examined phenomena. The anticipation surveys methodology is an individual case where the same persons who realize the decisions anticipate their future actions. In general, all the factors relating to forecast are not examined extensively. They follow a typical form of involvement after being weighted and appreciated subjectively from the experts.

The Delphi method is a modern way of expert opinion combined with the opinions of a group of experts. Each expert forms an opinion and his forecasts are presented in a summary statistical form. In continue a procedure of revising the experts' opinion based on a previous summary takes place; this procedure continues up to the point where the group of experts attains unanimity.

3. Applications to forecast the future demand of port container handling

Sun and Bunamo (1973) have developed a model to forecast the market share of the port of New York/ New Jersey into the total American imports and exports, based on the assumption of a constant hinterland. It consists of a linear regression model using dummy variables⁶, which measures the relationship of ports' commodities and the country's imports - exports.

A regression model with GDP as an independent variable was used in order to forecast the future container handling demand of the port of Piraeus (Doxiades Offices, 1984). The form of this model was $y=a+b(\text{GDP})$, and the dependent variable y is expressed in tons of cargo; the coefficient of linear determination (R^2) is 0.32, that is probably not acceptable⁷.

A method similar to Sun and Bunamo (1973) was developed for a long run forecast of the container handling of the port of Montreal, based on the origin and destination of several types of goods (Dagenais and Martin, 1987). The above method was an extension of Sun and Bunamo model which included the doubt of constant hinterland. Their theory was based on the fact that the port market depends on: (a) the physical distance between port and hinterland, and (b) the distance from competitive ports, calculated in "transportation cost per distance" units. The forecasts of this method were measured in cargo tons for imports and exports per category of cargo.

An alternative method was used to estimate the container handling demand in several trade markets (Far-East, Western Europe, North America, South East Asia, Latin America, Middle East, Oceania, South Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, Unspecified, Drewry Shipping Consultants, 1991). This method has used economic growth indexes, cargo flows per region, world maritime trade development and the containership fleet growth in relation to the unit cost in USD per teu.

The introduction of Box–Jenkins methodology (ARIMA models) was adopted latter as a sufficient method to forecast the future demand of container handling of the port of Piraeus (Michalopoulos, 1993). The selected model, an ARIMA (0,1,2) with an annual average variation of 0.76% using data from 1990 to 1993 performed quite well.

Another methodology used to evaluate the future container handling demand from import/export ports as well as the transshipments (Pardalis and Michalopoulos, 1996), consist of two types of models; a multivariate regression model for import/export containers and a time series analysis model for the total container handling. The selected model with an annual average variation of 6.34% using data from 1993 to 1998 performed quite well.

In order to forecast the future container handling demand of the Mediterranean ports, multivariate regression models were used (Ocean Shipping Consultants, 1998). Among the independent variables were the GDP of the country, the population of each region and the market share of each Mediterranean port.

A methodology to forecast the future demand per region as well as per Mediterranean port until 2015 was introduced in 2000 by Drewry Shipping Consultants. This methodology constitutes of a regression model for imports/exports and a linear trend for transshipments. The utilization rate (UR)⁸ index, the GDP, the gross domestic investments, the unemployment index and the GDP per capita are considered as independent variables.

Probability theory was also used to estimate the future demand of ports' container handling both in imports/exports and transshipments (Pardalis and Michalopoulos, 2003). According to this methodology three main probability distributions have been used in an attempt to estimate the demand of ports' container handling as follows:

1. Distribution of daily arrivals of containerships

- $A(k) = P(n \text{ ship arrivals per terminal for one day; } k = 0, 1, \dots)$

2. Distribution of total containers per ship

- $D(j) = P(\text{one containership carried containers of size } j; j = 1, 2, \dots)$

3. Distribution of transshipped containers per ship

- $T(m; j) = P(m \text{ containers handled from containers sized } j; m = 0, 1, \dots; j = 1, 2, \dots)$

where: k is the number of containerships arriving at every terminal any day; variable k takes values 0, 1, 2, ...; j is the number of containers carried from every ship to every terminal; variable j takes positive values 1, 2, ... and m is the number of transshipped containers handled from every ship to every terminal.

By using data from the Greek ports this methodology supports the following results: (a) the number of arrivals of containerships per day, per container terminal, as

well as the number of total containers handled (in classes by Sturges⁹), follows the Poisson distribution in accordance to χ^2 criterion (Michalopoulos, 1996), (b) the number of transshipped containers (in classes by Sturges) from the total handled containers per ship, per container terminal, follows the Geometric distribution in accordance to χ^2 criterion, (c) there is an absolute linear relationship between the first probability of the geometric distribution and the daily number of containership arrivals per container terminal. This relation is expressed by the equation:

$$P_1 = 48,25 - 2,39\lambda$$

where P_1 is the first probability of the geometric distribution and λ is the average number of containership arrivals per terminal, and (d) for the container terminals the measurement of long run demand for transshipped containers handled is expressed by the equation:

$$P_1 = 47,66 - 0,0067 L_{t-1}$$

where P_1 is the first probability of the geometric distribution in period t και L_{t-1} is the total number of containership arrivals in period $t-1$.

4. Long run container handling forecasts for the port of Piraeus

The generalized linear regression models (GLM) are mainly used for the estimation of the long run container handling forecasts for the port of Piraeus. The main aim under this methodology is to:

1. Establish a model with a number of independent variables, including factors that determine the port's containers handling demand.
2. Find the most accurate relationship that explains the independent variables and the container handling in teu's.

In order to evaluate the model the port of Piraeus has been selected as a case study using annual data for the period 1980 to 2005. The following variables have been included:

- Container handling of the port of Piraeus in teu's (TOTTEU)
- Gross Domestic Product in current prices (AEP)
- Hinterland population (PEOPLE)
- Gross investments of fixed capital of the transport sector (AEPK)
- Weighted mean of the price of container handling (PRICE)
- Unemployment rate (ANERGIA)
- Gross Domestic Product in current prices of the maritime transport sector (AEPT)

All the variables, except TOTTEU, are referred as the main determine factors of demand (Pardalis 1997). In order to find a unitary yearly value of the price of container handling for the port of Piraeus a weighted mean index has been used by the following expression:

$$P_x = \frac{\sum P_i T_i}{\sum T_i}$$

Where x is the year, P_i is the price of every type of containers, T_i is the demand (in teu's) of every type of containers and i take values from 1 to 5. It was necessary to calculate this expression because the port of Piraeus has 5 different values for container handling depending on the size, the kind, the type, the category and the origin/destination of the containers.

An examination of the residuals has indicated that for some consecutive years (1984-1989) there were large negative residuals. The reasons were: (a) the annual increase of handling fees for containers was 9.7% against 12.2% for the period 1978-1983 and 10.7% for the period 1990-1993, and (b) the governmental income policy (devaluation of the drachma in 1985) which has been explained by a dummy variable that quantifies all the qualitative factors. Its value was 1 for the period 1984-1989 and 0 for the remaining years.

Correlation analysis (Table 1) shows that all the variables are important determinants for the dependent variable because their correlation coefficients with the dependent variable TOTTEU are significant.

The estimated model with all the independent variables was:

$$TOTTEU = 1285655,57 + 14,75(P) - 0,014(AEP) -$$

$$0,126(PEOPLE) + 945,54(ANERGIA) + 0,32(AEPK) - 64603,33(DUM)$$

$$R^2 = 0.9690, Cp = 7.00, DW = 1.686, 1^{st} \text{ ord. Aut.} = 0.021, F \text{ value} = 72.93.$$

The characteristics of this model are shown in Table 2. It is clear that even the participation of 2 variables only, may give models with sufficient expression of the dependent variable.

In another case the Mallow's methodology was used in order to find the appropriate number of independent variables. The analysis was done using the SAS package and the necessary program in SAS code was:

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proc reg data=sasuser.model outest=est;
model totteu=people aep p anergia aepk aepr dum / selection=rsquare cp best=4;
run;
proc print data=est;
run;
proc plot data=est;
plot _cp_ * _in_ = 'C' _p_ * _in_ = '*' / overlay haxis=0 to 25 by 1
vaxis=0 to 25 by 1 hpos=40 vpos=40;
run;
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The results of this SAS program appear in Tables 3 and 4 and in Figure 1. The Cp statistic appears as $_cp_$ against the number of collected independent variables as $_in_$. In Figure 1 we observe that $_p_$ values began from smaller than $p+1$ values with $_p_=2$. However they increased when we moved in groups with fewer variables. In $p=4$ the values of Cp increased quickly showing that a model with 4 independent variables must be sufficient. The differences of Cp values, since collected groups with more variables, are constant, while this difference in $_p_=4$ which is significantly

higher, indicated that the collinearity in the model has been eliminated. In order to test collinearity, autocorrelation and heteroscedasticity the methodology use the following SAS program:

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proc reg data=sasuser.model;
model totteu= p aepr aepr dum /vif dw spec acov;
run;
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Therefore the estimated model was:

$$TOTTEU = 112099 + 17989 (P) + 0.451 (AEPR) - 2.423 (AEPR) - 50510 (DUM)$$

(6.763) (0.147) (1.668) (33259)

The characteristics of this model are appeared in Table 5.

5. Conclusions

Reviews of several methodologies used for long and short run forecasts of containers' handling have been presented in this article. At the same time a new methodology has been used to estimate the long and the short run container handling demand of the port of Piraeus using real data from the Piraeus Port Authority and macro/ micro economic variables from the statistical service of Greece referring to determined factors of demand.

This effort has an individuality to include all the relevant factors that determine the level of port demand of container handling. Simultaneously the statistical significance of the models has tested in addition to tests for collinearity – multicollinearity, heteroscedasticity, and autocorrelation. The Mallow's method is also use to select the appropriate number of repressors for the models. Another advantage of this methodology is the inclusion of qualitative factors such as strikes, devaluations, etc, by using dummy variables.

The same methodology can be used for any port that handles containers for the estimation of the long run container handling demand for a more efficient strategic planning.

Notes

1. In the Greek Ports planning study, that was executed by Doxiades Offices, models with $R^2 = 0.32$ were accepted, due to the fact that only the GDP was used as an independent variable.
2. Time specification means that there are available annual or any other time period data.
3. In fact the most common form is a simple linear one. Therefore, the simple method is the linear trend.
4. Stationary means the procedure in which the common as well as the dependent function of probability distribution are diachronically invariable.
5. Port of Rotterdam (1991), "*Predictions on the goods flow through the Rhine Estuary ports in 1995, 2000 en 2010-model GSM-6*". This model consists of an application in MS-Excel environment, which takes the past demand of a kind of commodity (such as coal, electronic parts, etc.), by total commodities.
6. Dummy variables consist of factors referring to container handling that were impossible to quantify.
7. The coefficient of linear determination (R^2) is a positive number less than 1 and expresses the percentage of variation of the dependent variable which is explained from the independent variable.
8. The index utilization rate (UR) measures the relationship between the realized demand and the maximum demand that ports can serve. The value range of this index is $0.00 < UR < 1.00$. If the index has a value less than 0.50, it means that the port does not exhaust its capacity and a suitable customer attraction scheme is necessary because the port is in position to serve higher demand. If the index moves near to 0.90, this means that the port must increase its infrastructure (new terminals, new quays, new surfaces, etc.), to increase the total supply so that it can serve the developed demand. When the index is near to 1.00 the port is saturated and it is difficult to have any further development. Direct actions are required in order for the port to immediately increase the total supply.
9. According to the Sturges rule, the number of equal classes λ , is determined from the equation: $\lambda = 1 + 3.3 \log N$, where N is the number of observations.

TABLE 1: Pearson correlation indexes

| | R | Prob |
|---------|----------|-------------|
| AEP | 0,95647 | 0,0001 |
| PEOPLE | 0,91422 | 0,0001 |
| AEPK | 0,97169 | 0,0001 |
| PRICE | 0,95928 | 0,0001 |
| ANERGIA | 0,95979 | 0,0001 |
| AEPT | 0,95033 | 0,0001 |

SOURCE: Results of our analysis.

TABLE 2: Characteristics of model with all the independent variables

| VARIABLE | PARTIAL R² | MODEL R² | Cp | F | Prob>F |
|-----------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------|----------|------------------|
| AEPK | 0,9457 | 0,9457 | 6,09 | 330,7 | 0,0001 |
| ANERGIA | 0,0086 | 0,9542 | 4,45 | 3,67 | 0,0832 |
| DUM | 0,0040 | 0,9582 | 4,76 | 1,62 | 0,2208 |
| AEP | 0,0032 | 0,9614 | 5,40 | 1,34 | 0,2647 |
| P | 0,0062 | 0,9676 | 4,77 | 2,86 | 0,1113 |
| PEOPLE | 0,0014 | 0,9690 | 6,17 | 0,63 | 0,4404 |

SOURCE: Results of our analysis.

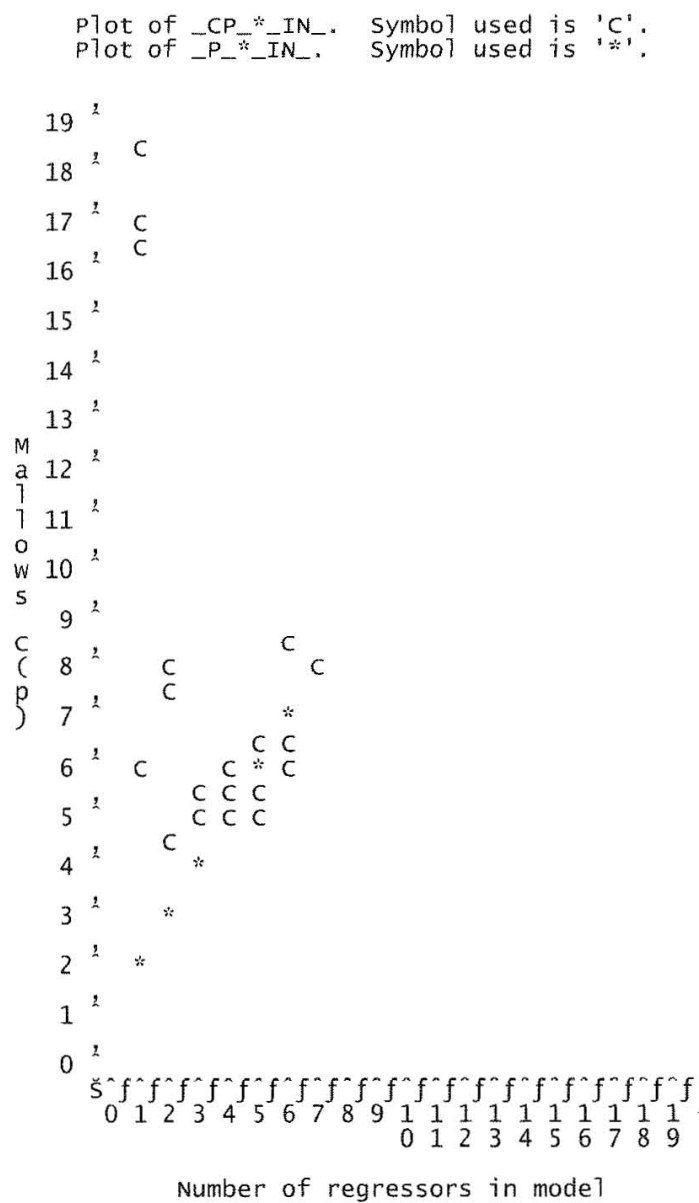
TABLE 3: Results of SAS program, regression models for dependent variable TOTTEU

| Number in Model | R ² | C(p) | Variables in Model |
|-----------------|----------------|----------|---------------------------------|
| 1 | 0.94566307 | 6.09033 | AEPK |
| 1 | 0.92142913 | 16.38848 | ANERGIA |
| 1 | 0.91969841 | 17.12394 | P |
| 1 | 0.91662719 | 18.42905 | AEP |
| 2 | 0.95422257 | 4.45300 | ANERGIA AEPK |
| 2 | 0.95354501 | 4.74092 | P AEPK |
| 2 | 0.94722655 | 7.42594 | PEOPLE AEPK |
| 2 | 0.94623390 | 7.84776 | AEP AEPK |
| 3 | 0.95819663 | 4.76423 | ANERGIA AEPK DUM |
| 3 | 0.95779288 | 4.93580 | P AEPK DUM |
| 3 | 0.95733880 | 5.12876 | P AEPK AEPTR |
| 3 | 0.95641854 | 5.51982 | PEOPLE ANERGIA AEPK |
| 4 | 0.96271335 | 4.84486 | P AEPK AEPTR DUM |
| 4 | 0.96141846 | 5.39512 | AEP ANERGIA AEPK DUM |
| 4 | 0.96087720 | 5.62513 | P ANERGIA AEPK DUM |
| 4 | 0.96049053 | 5.78944 | PEOPLE P ANERGIA AEPK |
| 5 | 0.96760259 | 4.76719 | AEP P ANERGIA AEPK DUM |
| 5 | 0.96615563 | 5.38207 | PEOPLE P ANERGIA AEPK DUM |
| 5 | 0.96606617 | 5.42009 | P ANERGIA AEPK AEPTR DUM |
| 5 | 0.96312362 | 6.67052 | AEP P AEPK AEPTR DUM |
| 6 | 0.96899915 | 6.17372 | PEOPLE AEP P ANERGIA AEPK DUM |
| 6 | 0.96790464 | 6.63883 | PEOPLE P ANERGIA AEPK AEPTR DUM |
| 6 | 0.96787176 | 6.65281 | AEP P ANERGIA AEPK AEPTR DUM |
| 6 | 0.96338136 | 8.56099 | PEOPLE AEP P ANERGIA AEPTR DUM |
| 7 | 0.96940797 | 8.00000 | PEOPLE AEP P ANERGIA AEPK AEPTR |

TABLE 4: Results of SAS program, model statistics according to Mallow's method

| OBS | _DEPVAR_ | _RMSE_ | INTERCEP | PEOPLE | AEP | P | ANERGIA | AEPK | AEPTR | DUM | TOTTEU | _IN_ | _P_ | _EDF_ | _RSQ_ | _CP_ |
|-----|----------|----------|------------|----------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|----------|-----------|--------|------|-----|-------|---------|---------|
| 1 | TOTTEU | 51652.93 | 135577.56 | . | . | . | . | 0.56429 | . | . | -1 | 1 | 2 | 24 | 0.94566 | 60.903 |
| 2 | TOTTEU | 62112.39 | 27443.04 | . | . | . | 1670.93 | . | . | . | -1 | 1 | 2 | 24 | 0.92143 | 163.885 |
| 3 | TOTTEU | 62792.75 | 61363.96 | . | . | 291.598 | . | . | . | . | -1 | 1 | 2 | 24 | 0.91970 | 171.239 |
| 4 | TOTTEU | 63982.27 | 104903.11 | . | 0.031337 | . | . | . | . | . | -1 | 1 | 2 | 24 | 0.91663 | 184.290 |
| 5 | TOTTEU | 48709.50 | 93747.57 | . | . | . | 580.10 | 0.37851 | . | . | -1 | 2 | 3 | 23 | 0.95422 | 44.530 |
| 6 | TOTTEU | 49068.66 | 106582.08 | . | . | 97.485 | . | 0.38552 | . | . | -1 | 2 | 3 | 23 | 0.95355 | 47.409 |
| 7 | TOTTEU | 52299.29 | -526740.77 | 0.06822 | . | . | . | 0.50827 | . | . | -1 | 2 | 3 | 23 | 0.94723 | 74.259 |
| 8 | TOTTEU | 52788.86 | 130714.25 | . | 0.003890 | . | . | 0.49672 | . | . | -1 | 2 | 3 | 23 | 0.94623 | 78.478 |
| 9 | TOTTEU | 47896.68 | 92676.89 | . | . | . | 742.17 | 0.31588 | . | -42522.55 | -1 | 3 | 4 | 22 | 0.95820 | 47.642 |
| 10 | TOTTEU | 48127.43 | 108182.52 | . | . | 129.510 | . | 0.31556 | . | -44563.34 | -1 | 3 | 4 | 22 | 0.95779 | 49.358 |
| 11 | TOTTEU | 48385.62 | 109809.19 | . | . | 137.659 | . | 0.51145 | -211.183 | . | -1 | 3 | 4 | 22 | 0.95734 | 51.288 |
| 12 | TOTTEU | 48904.71 | 1272236.57 | -0.12393 | . | . | 921.40 | 0.37097 | . | . | -1 | 3 | 4 | 22 | 0.95642 | 55.198 |
| 13 | TOTTEU | 46627.37 | 112099.41 | . | . | 179.886 | . | 0.45072 | -242.348 | -50509.81 | -1 | 4 | 5 | 21 | 0.96271 | 48.449 |
| 14 | TOTTEU | 47430.10 | 86795.64 | . | -0.012036 | . | 1060.06 | 0.42109 | . | -50513.39 | -1 | 4 | 5 | 21 | 0.96142 | 53.951 |
| 15 | TOTTEU | 47761.64 | 90719.82 | . | . | 78.412 | 473.82 | 0.25600 | . | -50592.93 | -1 | 4 | 5 | 21 | 0.96088 | 56.251 |
| 16 | TOTTEU | 47997.08 | 2068495.68 | -0.20791 | . | 105.177 | 751.48 | 0.30148 | . | . | -1 | 4 | 5 | 21 | 0.96049 | 57.894 |
| 17 | TOTTEU | 44888.36 | 80313.87 | . | -0.018744 | 128.374 | 797.88 | 0.38168 | . | -68179.40 | -1 | 5 | 6 | 20 | 0.96760 | 47.672 |
| 18 | TOTTEU | 45879.84 | 2131275.19 | -0.21471 | . | 132.546 | 864.52 | 0.20752 | . | -52132.23 | -1 | 5 | 6 | 20 | 0.96616 | 53.821 |
| 19 | TOTTEU | 45940.43 | 93990.05 | . | . | 127.966 | 494.29 | 0.39231 | -249.010 | -56963.35 | -1 | 5 | 6 | 20 | 0.96607 | 54.201 |
| 20 | TOTTEU | 47890.87 | 113398.67 | . | 0.008530 | 166.953 | . | 0.44397 | -366.017 | -47417.68 | -1 | 5 | 6 | 20 | 0.96312 | 66.705 |
| 21 | TOTTEU | 45451.37 | 1285655.57 | -0.12655 | -0.013965 | 147.543 | 945.54 | 0.32107 | . | -64603.33 | -1 | 6 | 7 | 19 | 0.96900 | 61.737 |
| 22 | TOTTEU | 46246.76 | 1473986.95 | -0.14532 | . | 148.045 | 751.88 | 0.31395 | -165.795 | -55876.28 | -1 | 6 | 7 | 19 | 0.96790 | 66.388 |
| 23 | TOTTEU | 46270.45 | 72081.34 | . | -0.029498 | 122.760 | 969.64 | 0.35950 | 172.254 | -73862.77 | -1 | 6 | 7 | 19 | 0.96787 | 66.528 |
| 24 | TOTTEU | 49398.23 | 2499105.92 | -0.25807 | -0.035843 | 166.638 | 1708.11 | . | 546.441 | -89747.62 | -1 | 6 | 7 | 19 | 0.96338 | 85.610 |
| 25 | TOTTEU | 46855.08 | 1340574.96 | -0.13339 | -0.027027 | 141.626 | 1166.25 | 0.29032 | 213.343 | -71449.21 | -1 | 7 | 8 | 18 | 0.96941 | 80.000 |

FIGURE 1: Regression Models for Dependent Variable: TOTTEU



NOTE: 26 obs hidden.
 This figure is an output of SAS software.

TABLE 5: Proposed model characteristics

| 1. ANALYSIS OF VARIANCE | | | | | | |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| Source | DF | Sum of Squares | Mean Square | F Value | Prob>F | |
| Model | 4 | 898142976478 | 224535744120 | 103.277 | 0.0001 | |
| Error | 21 | 34785790466 | 2174111904.1 | | | |
| Total | 25 | 932928766944 | | | | |
| Root MSE | 46627.37291 | | R-square | 0.9627 | | |
| Dep Mean | 374526.00000 | | Adj R-sq | 0.9534 | | |
| C.V. | 12.44970 | | | | | |
| 2. PARAMETER ESTIMATES | | | | | | |
| Variable | DF | Parameter Estimate | Standard Error | T for H0: Parameter=0 | Prob>T | Variance Inflation |
| INTERCEP | 1 | 112099 | 22393.77670 | 5.006 | 0.0001 | 0.000000 |
| P | 1 | 17.988647 | 6.76342596 | 2.660 | 0.0171 | 21.231336 |
| AEPK | 1 | 0.450724 | 0.14687487 | 3.069 | 0.0073 | 27.491230 |
| AEPTR | 1 | -2.423477 | 1.66783194 | -1.453 | 0.0455 | 33.038594 |
| DUM | 1 | -50510 | 33259.93729 | -1.519 | 0.0484 | 1.308384 |
| 3. CONSISTENT COVARIANCE OF ESTIMATES | | | | | | |
| ACOV | INTERCEP | P | AEPK | AEPTR | DUM | |
| INTERCEP | 107022780.95 | 1167.5315064 | -193.1329871 | -505.2279388 | -65417139.48 | |
| P | 1167.5315064 | 28.436004399 | -0.012822104 | -5.794506458 | -78367.95862 | |
| AEPK | -193.1329871 | -0.012822104 | 0.0218179172 | -0.186464552 | 1205.1735945 | |
| AEPTR | -505.2279388 | -5.794506458 | -0.186464552 | 2.8892398765 | 5861.556667 | |
| DUM | -65417139.48 | -78367.95862 | 1205.1735945 | 5861.556667 | 419894291.43 | |
| 4. TEST OF FIRST AND SECOND MOMENT SPECIFICATION | | | | | | |
| DF: 25 | Chisq Value: 9.0839 | | | Prob>Chisq: 0.6958 | | |
| 5. OTHER STATISTICS | | | | | | |
| Durbin-Watson D | | 1.886 | | | | |
| (For Number of Obs.) | | 26 | | | | |
| 1st Order Autocorrelation | | 0.098 | | | | |

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